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Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Medical Device User Fee Cover Sheet; Form FDA 3601

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments concerning Form FDA 3601 entitled "Medical Device User Fee Cover Sheet," which must be submitted along with certain medical device product applications, supplements, and fee payment of those applications.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by [insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/oc/dockets/edockethome.cfm. Submit written comments concerning the collection of information to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. All comments should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Robbins, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1223.

supplementary information: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, FDA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, FDA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Medical Device User Fee Cover Sheet; Form FDA 3601

The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act), as amended by the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act of 2002 (MDUFMA) (Public Law 107-250), authorizes FDA to collect user fees for certain medical device applications. Under this authority, companies pay a fee for certain new medical device applications or supplements submitted to the agency for review. Because the submission of user fees concurrently with applications and supplements is required, the review of an application cannot begin until the fee is submitted. Form FDA 3601, the "Medical Device User Fee Cover Sheet," is designed to provide the minimum necessary information to determine whether a fee is required for review of an application, to determine the amount of the fee required, and to account for and track user fees. The form provides a cross-reference of the fees submitted for an application with the actual application by using a unique number tracking system. The information collected is used by FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) and Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER) to initiate the administrative screening of new medical device applications and supplemental applications.

Respondents to this collection of information are device manufacturers. Based on FDA's database system, there are an estimated 5,000 manufacturers of products subject to MDUFMA. However, not all manufacturers will have any submissions in a given year and some may have multiple submissions. The total number of annual responses is based on the number of submissions received by FDA in fiscal year 2002. CDRH estimates 5,000 annual responses that include the following: 50 premarket approval applications, 4,400 premarket notifications, 30 modular premarket applications, 1 product

development protocol, 1 premarket report, 20 panel track supplements, 150 real-time supplements, and 348 180-day supplements. CBER estimates 50 annual responses that include the following: 2 premarket approval applications, 3 biologics license applications, 30 premarket notifications, 10 modular premarket applications, and 5 180-day supplements. The estimated hours per response are based on past FDA experience with the various submissions, and range from 5 to 30 minutes. The hours per response are based on the average of these estimates.

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN¹

Form	No. of	Annual Frequency	Total Annual	Hours per	Total
	Respondents	per Response	Responses	Response	Hours
FDA 3601	5,000	1	5,000	.30	1,500

¹ There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

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Associate Commissioner for Policy and Planning.

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